

available by Canada for development assistance by channelling part of them through the Asian Development Bank. Canada had given special aid to Asia and, since joining the Colombo Plan as a founding member, had provided more than \$800 million in assistance to the region. The Canadian Government, which has already made a capital subscription of \$25 million to the Bank, hopes to work out arrangements soon regarding the administration by the Bank of Canadian aid funds to be provided within the framework of Canada's aid programme. These funds would supplement the financial resources available to the Bank from capital contributions.

AID TO GREECE AND TURKEY

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Paul Martin, announced recently that Canada would provide Greece and Turkey with about \$3-million worth of economic aid under the NATO Defence Support Assistance Programme.

Discussions are to begin shortly between Canada and the Greek and Turkish Governments to select suitable projects. The Canadian Government will propose that its contribution be used to assist the

Greek and Turkish Governments in financing communications or similar projects related to defence.

The NATO Defence Support Assistance Programme was established in 1962 to assist Greece and Turkey in meeting their special defence problems.

ENLARGED "MAISON CANADIENNE"

Mr. Paul Martin, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced recently in Paris that, to encourage cultural exchanges between Canada and France, the Canadian Government would grant up to \$500,000 to the "Maison des Étudiants canadiens" in Paris to construct a new wing to the present building. This will increase its capacity from 73 to 126 students.

Established 40 years ago, the "Maison" is one of the residences at the "Cit  universitaire de Paris" where several countries administer student residences. It welcomes student residents from all the provinces of Canada and, in accordance with the custom of the "Cit  universitaire", a number from foreign countries. Its role in encouraging exchanges and cultural activities generally is unique and benefits, as well as in Paris, all Canadian students in France.